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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations - I.C.P.O.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year)
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18/09/2003: Richard DJ4OI, Andy DL3GA, Markus DL1IAN and Joachim DF6IC plan to be active from Tubuai, Austral Islands (IOTA OC-152, DIFO FO-126), between September 18th and October 3rd. They plan to have two stations with beams and linears and be active on 80 through 6 meters, including the WARC bands on SSB, CW, RTTY and possibly the other digital modes. Their callsigns will probably be FO/homecall/A. QSL via homecall, bureau cards are welcome. [Tnx OPDX]

18/09/2003: Allen, K6USN, will be active (on 40-10 meter SSB and CW) as ZK1USN from the South Cook Islands, namely Rarotonga (OC-013), September 18th to 21st and then Aitutaki Island (OC-083) for nine days. QSL via K6USN. [Tnx 425DXN]

19/09/2003: Look for Ron 9A5JR/p, and Vlado 9A2V/p, to activate the Island of Ilovik (IOTA EU-136, IOCA CI-029) on September 19th and 20th and the islet/lighthouse of Grujica (IOCA CI-026, WLA LH-0276, ARLHS CRO-005, WW Loc. JN74gj) September 20th and 21st. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx OPDX]

19/09/2003: Look for Matt DL1POX/p and Raik DL9GKJ/p to be QRV September 19th from Grot Deil Island (IOTA EU-098, DID O-34 for the German Islands Award). They also plan to activate the Islands of Kastenwerder and Weidenschwanz (new ones for the German Islands Award) on September 21st. Activity will be on 80 and 40 meters (maybe 30 meters), plus VHF/UHF. QSL via home calls. [Tnx DL8AAM]

19/09/2003: The QLF DX Team (LA5UKA, LA6MP, LA8AJA, LA8SDA and LA9VDA) will be QRV as OJ0LA, September 19th through 26th, from Market Reef (EU-053) and lighthouse (WLH LH-0542, ARLHS MAR-001, WW Loc. JP90nh). Lars, OH0RJ, will join the team and will use the call OJ0RJ. Activity will be on all bands, CW, SSB and RTTY, looking especially for NA and JA. Also planned is an entry in the SAC CW contest with one station. Due to possible bad weather conditions in the fall, they might use an expensive helicopter. They need financial support for this. QSL for OJ0LA is via LA9VDA. For direct cards please add SAE + 2 USD or 1IRC. QSL for OJ0RJ is via OH0RJ, only direct. [Tnx LA9VDA]

20/09/2003: Lutz, GM0GNY, writes that he will sign 4K0GNY from the drilling platform Chirag-1 in the Caspian Sea (WW Loc. LN50oc) for 28 days starting on August 20th. He will work in SSB and CW mainly on 40, 20 and 17m from 15:00 to 18:00 UTC. QSL via GM0GNY. [Tnx DXNL]

20/09/2003: Look for Ron 9A5JR/p, and Vlado 9A2V/p, to activate the islet/lighthouse of Grujica (IOCA CI-026, WLA LH-0276, ARLHS CRO-005, WW Loc. JN74gj) September 20th and 21st. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx OPDX]

20/09/2003: Kuro, JH0MGJ (aka AL5A), will go to Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086) and operate as AL5A/NH0 from September 20th to

22nd. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters, CW and SSB. If he can, Kuro will try RTTY and SSTV as KG6SA. QSL is OK via JH0MGJ. [Tnx OPDX]

20/09/2003: Look for Braga CT3HU, Helder CT3HQ, Xavier CT3JK and Jose CT3MD to be QRV September 20th to 27th from Porto Santo (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-002). They will be using the special call CS9C. QSL via CT3MD, direct or bureau. [Tnx CT1END]

20/09/2003: Members of the Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club will be active as GB0SM from St Mary's Island, Isles of Scilly (EU-011) September 20th to 27th. Activity will be on 160 through 10 meter CW and SSB. QSL via bureau or direct to G0PSE (Tom Taylor, 19 Derwent Grove, Taunton, Somerset TA1 2NJ, England). [Tnx 425DXN]

20/09/2003: Look for Antonio, IK8SHL/p, to be QRV September 20th from Porta S.Luca (DCI reference PZ-049, for the Italian Castles Award) and Porta S.Gerardo (DCI reference PZ-081). Both references are located in the Region of Basilicata, Province of Potenza (PZ). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IK8SHL]

20/09/2003: Alfonso, IZ8DDP/p, plans to be active from two new references for the Italian Castles Award (DCI). Activity will be from 15:00 UTC September 20th until the morning of September 21st. He will visit Torre di Kernot di foce Sele a Capaccio (DCI reference SA-112) and Torre di avvistamento sul Sele a Capaccio (DCI reference SA-113) Both towers are located in the Region of Campania, Province of Salerno (SA). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IZ8DDP]

20/09/2003: Look for PY7AA to be active from the Cabanga Yatch Club in Recife, supporting the XV Regatta Recife to Fernando de Noronha Island between September 20th and 21st. A special QSL card will be sent to celebrate this event. [Tnx PY7XC]

20/09/2003: Nicolas, F5TGR, will be active as SV8/F5TGR from the Cyclades (EU-067) between September 6th and 27th. He will operate on 10-20 metres SSB and CW from the Island of Naxos (September 20-27th). QSL via home call, direct (Nicolas Quennet, 8 bis Rue de la Marne, 95220 Herbaly, France) or through the bureau. [Tnx 425 DXN]

20/09/2003: Yoshiro, N1VF (JL3SIK), will be active as VY2/N1VF from Prince Edward Island (IOTA NA-029, CIsA PE-001) between September 20th and 23rd. He plans to operate on 40 through 6 meter SSB and CW. QSL via JL3SIK direct (Yoshiro Nishimura, Takemidai 4-2-6, Suita City, Osaka 565-0863, Japan) or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

20/09/2003: Adhi, YC3MM, will be on air as YC3MM/5 from Batam Island (OC-075) and Pulau Nongsa Lighthouse (ARLHS INO-new one). Activity will start at 11:00 UTC September 20th until 23:00 UTC September 21st. Due to a poor propagation forecast, he may only be on 15 meters. Look for him around the ARLHS or IOTA frequencies. QSL direct via IZ8CCW. [Tnx W8TTS]

21/09/2003: Look for CT1GFK/p, CT1GPQ/p and CT2IHP/p to be QRV September 21st from Margalha Island (NOT IOTA, DIP AL-016 for the Portuguese Islands Award, PIP ST-034 for the Portuguese Islands Plaque). Activity will be between 05:00 UTC and 11:00 UTC on 40, 20, 17, 15 meter CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx CT1END]

21/09/2003: Look for Matt DL1POX/p and Raik DL9GKJ/p to be QRV September 21st from the Islands of Kastenwerder and Weidenschwanz (new

ones for the German Islands Award). Activity will be on 80 and 40 meters (maybe 30 meters), plus VHF/UHF. QSL via home calls. [Tnx DL8AAM]

21/09/2003: The special call IO1DCI will be activated during the 2nd DCI (Italian Castles Award, http://www.dcia.it) meeting organized by ARI Mondovi' between September 20th and 21st. QSL via operators' instructions. [Tnx 425DXN]

21/09/2003: A group of Spanish operators will be active from Guadeloupe (IOTA NA-102, DIFO FG-001) between September 23rd and October 9th. Activity will include an entry in the CQWW RTTY Contest. Before and after the contest, operators will be on SSB/RTTY/PSK31/SSTV. Operators will be EB2DTP, EA2RU and EA2RY. Look for them to sign homecall/FG or FG/homecall. QSL via EA2RY. [Tnx OPDX]

21/09/2003: Allen, K6USN, will be active (on 40-10 meter SSB and CW) as ZK1USN from Aitutaki Island (OC-083) for nine days. QSL via K6USN. [Tnx 425DXN]

22/09/2003: Phil, G3SWH, and his wife will fly to Ile Sainte Marie (IOTA AF-090) on September 22nd and relax for a few days until the 27th. He will use the call 5R8HA/p on 40 to 10 metres, CW only. Please remember that this will be a holiday type operation, not a DX-pedition. QSL via G3SWH. [Tnx G3SWH]

23/09/2003: Alberto, IT9MRM, will be QRV September 23rd and 24th from Lampedusa Island (IOTA AF-019, IIA AG-001) as IG9/IT9MRM/p. Activity will be on 20 and 15 meter SSB only. QSL via home call, direct (Alberto Mattei, Via Enrico Millo 20, 96011 Augusta - SR, Italy) or bureau. [Tnx IT9MRM]

23/09/2003: John, G4IRN, will be active as S79IRN from the Seychelles (IOTA AF-024), September 23th to 27th. Activity will be on 40 through 10 meters, mainly on CW, using only 100 watts into a vertical antenna. QSL via G4IRN (QRZ.com). [Tnx OPDX]

24/09/2003: Alan, G3PMR will be QRV from Cyprus as 5B4AHJ between September 24 and December 13th. QSL to home call. [Tnx ARRL DX news]

24/09/2003: Giovanni, IZ2DPX, will be QRV (mainly on 2 and 6 meters) as IM0/IZ2DPX/P from Maddalena Island (EU-041, IIA SS-001) between September 24th to 27th. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx 425DXN]

25/09/2003: Operators Just LA9DL, Erling LA6VM and Halvard LA7XK will be active from Longyearbyen on Svalbard (EU-026) during the Scandinavian Activity Contest. They will be arriving in Longyearbyen just before noon Thursday, September 25th and will depart for home early Monday morning, September 29th. They will operate during the contest with the callsign JW5X. QSL is via LA5X, direct or via the LA bureau. Before and after the contest they will be active with their respective JW callsign (JW9DL, JW7XK and JW6VM). QSL for these contacts are via their home callsigns. Look for JW7XK to be mainly on BPSK31 and RTTY, while JW9DL and JW6VM will work SSB and CW. [Tnx OPDX]

25/09/2003: Shunichiro, JH7IMX, will be on holiday in Honolulu, Hawaii (IOTA OC-019, USI HI-008S, Honolulu county), between September 25th and 30th and active as K7WD/KH6. He will also be active in the CQ/RJ Worldwide DX RTTY Contest (September 27-28). QSL via JH7IMX. [Tnx OPDX]

25/09/2003: The operators who activated OC-251 September 2002 and OC-261 April 2003 plan to activate OC-228, South Australia State East group, Baudin Rocks (aka Godfrey Island) the last weekend in September, commencing Thursday September 25th and concluding Monday September 29th. This will be a special event, commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the death of Captain Nicolas Baudin, the French explorer, who died in September 1803 on the island of Mauritius during his return to Europe from exploration of the Australian coastline. Baudin Rocks, which is located 8 kms north of the seaport of Robe in south-eastern South Australia, was named by Captain Matthew Flinders after his famous encounter with Baudin in 1802 off the South Australian coast. Baudin Rocks is a closely protected Conservation Park and finally a permit has been obtained for 4 operators to land and operate for a limited period. Operating dates are much dependant on weather conditions, which can be very unpredictable at this time of the year. Expected operators are Peter VK3QI, Keith VK3FT, Paul VK3AJJ and Paul VK3KXG. Usual IOTA frequencies will be observed, both CW and SSB. Emphasis will be on 30 and 40 CW and 20, 17 and 15 SSB. Long Path to Europe around 0500-0800z will also be emphasized. OC-228 has only been activated once before in April 1999, by Martin (G3ZAY) as VK4CAY/5 for a limited number of hours, making it a relatively rare group. The special commemorative callsign VI5BR will be used for this operation. QSL details are as follows: via VK3QI Direct (any callbook) or via VK3 QSL Buro. Any questions about the proposed operation to: Peter Forbes, VK3QI (prforbes@bigpond.net.au). [Tnx VK3QI]

26/09/2003: Dave, AH6HY, will be active as VP5/AH6HY from Grand Turk Island (NA-003), September 26th through October 4th. His activity will be on 40 through 10 meter SSB only. QSL via AH6HY. [Tnx OPDX]

27/09/2003: Franz DJ9ZB (3C0F), Elmo EA5BYP (3C0A), Victor EA5FO (3C0R) and Vicente EA5YN (3C0V), will be active from Annobon Island (AF-039), between September 27th and October 10th. Activity will be on all modes/bands CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK, some SSTV, 160 through 6 meters. They hope to have at least two stations on the air 24 hours a day. Mounting a DXpedition is an expensive operation for operators. Donations to help the trip, as small as it may be, will be gratefully accepted and can be sent via Dx Club Tabarca Island, President Elmo EA5BYP, P.O. Box 3097. 03080 Alicante, Spain. E-mail cayuco@telefonica.net . Any additional donations included with QSL card requests will be much appreciated. We should like to say thanks in advance. QSL via DJ9ZB. [Tnx EA5BYP]

27/09/2003: Uli, DJ9XB, will be active as J45XB from the Dodecanese (EU-001) in the CQ/RJ Worldwide DX RTTY Contest (September 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single Band (15m) entry. QSL via DJ9XB. [Tnx OPDX]

30/09/2003: Depending on weather and local conditions, Nando IT9YRE, Claudio I1SNW and Alfio IT9EJW plan to operate from Maria Island (Austral Islands) between September 30th and October 3rd; then they expect to be active from Hereheretue (French Polynesia) starting around 13 (local time) October 9th for two days. From both the islands they will operate SSB (FO/IT9YRE and FO/I1SNW) and CW (FO/IT9EJW) for as many hours as possible, hopefully around the clock. Contributions will be gratefully accepted along with direct QSL requests. QSL via home calls. [Tnx 425 DXN]

01/10/2003: Jim, W7UG and Tom, K7ZZ will operate as T88ZX from Palau (OC-009) starting around October 1st for one week. Then they will move to Yap (OC-012), Micronesia and be active as V63ZT for another week.

Look for them on 80 through 10 meters (with an emphasis on the WARC bands) SSB and CW, with some RTTY if there is enough interest in that mode. QSLs direct to K7ZZ (QRZ.com). [Tnx 425DXN]

02/10/2003: Members of the Korea DX Club (KDXC) and the Seorak DX Club will activate Cho Island (AS-168) from October 2nd to 5th. Their callsign will be DS0DX/2. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters with CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL Mmanager is HL1XP. [Tnx OPDX]

02/10/2003: Frank, DH5JG, will be active October 2nd to 14th from the Island of La Palma (IOTA AF-004, DIE-013), Canary Islands, as EA8/DH5JG. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters, WARC bands included, mainly CW, with some SSB. QSL via bureau to home call. [Tnx OH5JC]

03/10/2003: Look for K4R to be active on a mini DXpedition to Shenandoah National Park, Virginia. Activity will be between October 3rd and 5th. QSL via KG4KWW, direct (Greg Curti Sr., 8307 Patrick Henry Blvd., Mechanicsville, VA 23116) or bureau. [Tnx KG4KWW]

04/10/2003: The Wireless Association of South Hills will be QRV from St. John, US Virgin Islands (NA-106) from October 4th through the 12th 2003. The DXPedition team will be on the air during the California QSO Party (October 4-5th) and the Pennsylvania QSO Party (October 11-12th). Join them during the PA contest for an opportunity to snag the rare VI section during this fun and friendly contest! In addition, St. John is also listed on the RSGB's IOTA "Most Wanted" list (NA-106) and is in grid square FK-77. In between the contests, the NP2SH team will be running both phone and CW stations on all bands 80 through 10 meters as band and weather conditions permit. QSL with SASE via N3ZNI. [Tnx W3SRL]

04/10/2003: Norbert, DL2RNS, will operate mainly CW as S79NS from the Seychelles (AF-024) between October 4th and 17th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

04/10/2003: Gerhard DJ5IW, Thomas DL2RMC, Hartmut DM5TI and Andree DL8LAS will be active from Christmas Island (OC-002) as VK9XW, VK9XM, VK9XT and VK9XA, respectively, from October 4th to 11th. Activity will be on all modes, 160 through 6 meters with a focus on the lower and the WARC bands, including operations on AO-40. They will have 3 stations on. QSL via DL2RMC. [Tnx OPDX]

05/10/2003: Look for Juergen, DJ7JB/p, to be QRV from Borkum Island (IOTA EU-047, DID N-01 for the German Islands Award) between October 5th and 10th. Activity will be on 160 through 10 meter SSB. Check the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call. [Tnx DL8AAM]

07/10/2003: A group of operators will be active on all bands and modes as 4M9YY from San Fernando de Apure, in the rare call area 9 of Venezuela (ITU 12, CQ 09, FJ67), October 7th to 12th. QSL direct (maildrop) to 4M9YY, Pakmail 10012, P.O. Box 025304, Miami, FL 33102-5304, USA (YV stations only can request their cards via bureau). [Tnx 425DXN]

09/10/2003: Jim, W7UG and Tom, K7ZZ will operate as V63ZT from Yap (OC-012), Micronesia, starting around October 9th for one week. Look for them on 80 through 10 meters (with an emphasis on the WARC bands) SSB and CW, with some RTTY if there is enough interest in that mode. QSLs direct to K7ZZ. [Tnx 425DXN]

10/10/2003: Special call YE32OB will be aired (on 10, 15 and 20 metres SSB, CW and digital modes) from Batam Island (OC-075) between October 10th and 12th during the Ham Festival held by the local ORARI branch and to celebrate the 32th anniversary of "Otorita Batam" (http://www.batam.go.id). QSL direct via IZ8CCW. Those who work YE32OB on three bands or three modes are entitled to have a souvenir from Otorita Batam. Inquiries should be directed to Adhi Bimbo, YC3MM (yc3mm@mdxc.org). [Tnx 425DXN]

11/10/2003: Tarrytown, NY (USA-836) will become the Lighthouse at Sleepy Hollow and will be activated on Saturday, October 11, 2003 from 11:00 AM - 4:00PM (EST) by WA2MZZ (292), KA2ZJE (342), NB2D and others. They will use homecall/p. ARLHS frequencies, plus 147.06, 147.105. Certificates will be issued by SASE by KA2ZJE. This special event is to celebrate the village of Sleepy Hollow taking over the Kingsland State Park and Lighthouse (the lighthouse will eventually be turned on again). There will be lighthouse tours, fireworks and other events that will take place this weekend. [Tnx WA2MZZ]

11/10/2003: Look for Gerhard DJ5IW, Thomas DL2RMC, Hartmut DM5TI and Andree DL8LAS to be active as VK9CT and VK9D from the Cocos-Keeling Islands (OC-003) between October 11th and 23rd. Activity will be on all modes, 160 through 6 meters with a focus on the lower and the WARC bands, including operations on AO-40. They will have 3 stations on. QSL via DL2RMC. [Tnx OPDX]

12/10/2003: Pierre, HB9QQ, will again be on from Liechtenstein as HB0/HB9QQ starting October 12th, for a few days, if weather and snow permit, and mainly on 160M. His QTH is at 2200M elevation, and he will be using a dipole at a height of 23M and 500W. QSL via HB9QQ. [Tnx F5NQL]

13/10/2003: Three of the YLs who operated VK9YL and ZK1XYL last year, namely Gwen/VK3DYL, June/VK4SJ and Elizabeth/VE7YL (CW), will activate Christmas Island (OC-002) as VK9XYL from October 13th to 17th. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters, SSB and CW - no RTTY or PSK. QSL via VK3DYL. [Tnx OPDX]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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